

GERMANS MASS FOR NEW ASSAULT ON FORTS

BRITISH ADMIT THE DEFEATS OF THE RUSSIANS IN GALICIA BY GERMANIC ALLIED TROOPS

GREAT LODGE NIGHT AT HEMLOCK TEMPLE WITH ODD FELLOWS

Germans Continue to Hold Positions on Hill They Obtained by Use of Gases.

STUBBORN FIGHTING ON Still between the Russian and Germanic Allies and Entire Front Not Crushed.

LONDON, May 6.—For the first time since the British forced the Germans from hill No. 60 near Ypres the soldiers of Emperor William have been partly successful in their counter attacks and as no advice to the contrary having been received, it is assumed that the Germans are still holding today the positions they obtained upon the hill by the use of asphyxiating gases. In the meanwhile the German line to the east of Ypres is within three miles of the town.

The British press does not seek to deny or minimize the persistency of this German offensive but there is no disposition to lament the drawing in of the British front to the eastward and the northeastward of Ypres, which was the only alternative to a successful counter attack. Confidence is expressed that the new British alignment will prove beneficial in view of the hard fighting which is expected. After the crew had been taken on the Straton the sea cocks of the trawler were opened. This method of sinking the vessel proved too slow and after waiting four hours the Germans fired eight shells at the Straton. The fishermen were then ordered to embark in a small boat which had been taken from the Straton and they landed at Hartlepool today.

Nearly all the special news despatches from northern France and the Belgian frontier say the Germans are massing men for a new assault in the direction of the French ports and as gas now seems to be a regular adjunct of the German attack the allies expect it will play an important part hereafter whenever the direction of the war is favorable to the Germans.

British observers of the war admit that the German allies have inflicted several considerable local defeats upon the Russians on the west Galician front but they point to the fact that the entire front has not been crushed as was at first claimed and that the stubborn fighting is proceeding.

The suggestion that Great Britain adopt measures in retaliation for the use of gases in battle by the Germans took concrete form today Joseph King, representing the north district of Somerset, in the House of Commons, announced his intention of introducing a resolution on this subject on Tuesday. The resolution sets forth "That this House agrees of such measure of retaliation as is essential to prevent success attaching to such gross and unparalleled violation of the rules of the war; subject, however, to the condition that in the preparation of any gas used by His Majesty's military forces the utmost regard be paid to the dictates of humanity."

FRENCH STATEMENT OF WAR'S PROGRESS

PARIS, May 6.—The French war office this afternoon gave out a report on the progress of hostilities reading: "To the north of Ypres we repulsed with facility a night attack by the Germans made from Steenstraete to the south of Ypres. The Germans yesterday at a point near Zwarteleen attacked the trenches of hill No. 60 occupied last month by British troops. There were very violent onslaughts during the course of which they again made use of asphyxiating gases, which made the masters in the beginning of this position, but our allies subsequently made a counter attack and recaptured a portion of the trenches previously lost. In the forest of Allay the counter attacks delivered by us toward the end of the day made slight progress and we recaptured a foothold in the morning. During the night the Germans delivered a counter attack against our position at Mileon to the east of Sillikerwasen, the summit of which they occupied. All the remainder of our gain in the direction of the river Fecht has been consolidated and maintained."

DATE FIXED For the Opening of the West Virginia Annual Methodist Conference.

PARKERSBURG, May 6.—Dr. S. K. Arbutnot has received a telegram from Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes, L. D., announcing that at the annual meeting of bishops in Des Moines, Ia., October 6, had been selected as the date for the opening of the West Virginia Annual Conference, which will be held in Parkersburg. The sessions will take place in the First Methodist Episcopal church, and Bishop Earl Cranston, L. D., of Washington, D. C., will be the presiding bishop.

YOST LAW MAKES DAMAGE SUIT VOID

SUCCESSFUL RAID

Is Made on House in Glen Elk, Where it is Alleged Cocaine is Sold.

Henry Cabell, alias C. O., a notorious character whose name is frequently found on the police court records, Charles Williams, and Lulu Brown, all colored, were arrested shortly before midnight Wednesday night by Lieutenant of Police Nicholas M. Whyte and the members of night police force when they raided a house in Glen Elk. All three are charged with selling cocaine and other narcotic drugs, in violation of the late law passed by the government.

For several days the place was watched by members of the night police department and persons addicted to the "dope" habit were seen to frequent it. Wednesday night Lieutenant Whyte secured a warrant and with his officers raided the place, catching the above named persons and securing a quantity of cocaine in a secret hiding place in all wall of the house.

Prosecuting Attorney Findley is making an investigation of the case today and it is thought that he will take charge of the three prisoners.

SPECIAL SERMON.

There will be a special sermon at 8 o'clock tonight by the Rev. J. W. Robinson, A. M., former principal of the Clarksburg colored school, but now of Kimberley at the Mt. Zion Baptist church on Water street. The service will be under the auspices of the church choir, of which E. J. Adams is president. All are invited to attend.

JAILED AS BOOTLEGGER.

Roy T. Cage, who was recently arrested in the raid of a rooming house on Baltimore street, is again in the county jail, this time on a charge of bootlegging whiskey in Glen Elk. He was taken into custody by Deputy Sheriff Clarence Vannort after an alleged sale of whiskey had been made in the street. A magistrate will hear the case later.

FOR GRAND JURY.

A. H. Hummell, arrested Sunday night under a charge of selling whiskey in Glen Elk streets, has been held for the action of the next grand jury by Magistrate William E. Starcher and in default of bail he has been remanded to jail. This action was taken at the close of a hearing late Wednesday afternoon.

MORE VESSELS ARE SUNK BY SUBMARINES

MINISTER DEAD

The Rev. Dr. A. L. McKeever, of Jane Lew, Passes On.

The Rev. Dr. A. L. McKeever, of Jane Lew, a prominent retired minister of the Methodist Protestant church, is dead after a long illness. His funeral took place Thursday afternoon, a service being held at the Fairview church, South of that place, and burial taking place at the Odd Fellows' cemetery nearby. Several ministers and others of Clarksburg attended.

Dr. McKeever was about 70 years old and leaves a wife and several grown children residing at various points in central West Virginia. Owing to his advanced age and enfeebled physical condition he had been on the superannuated list for several years. He filled charges at various places in Harrison and Lewis counties and elsewhere in the state.

GETS ROAD SENTENCE.

William Barker, who was arrested recently at a Glen Elk hotel under a charge of violating the prohibition law by having whiskey in his room there, has been sentenced by Magistrate R. Edward Kidd to serve sixty days at work on the county roads and to pay a fine of \$100 and costs. The sentence was imposed at the close of a hearing Wednesday evening.

"DICK" DOLAN RECOVERS.

"Dick" Dolan has returned to his home at Wolf Summit. He had been in a local hospital where he underwent a serious operation three weeks ago. His numerous friends are glad to see him well again.

Judge Maxwell Decides That Suit Under Old Law Can Not Be Prosecuted.

According to a decision handed down by Judge Raymond Maxwell, of the circuit court Thursday morning, suit cannot be brought for damages for the sale of liquors to persons while saloons were in existence in West Virginia, as the Yost law repealed the license law and does not contain a clause preserving the right of action that might have accrued to a wife or child.

The decision was in the case of Mrs. Allene M. Moore against Frank Duffy, a former saloonier here. Her suit was based on an allegation that before the state became dry Duffy sold liquor to her husband and she accordingly asked for heavy damages for herself and her two infant children. Judge Maxwell sustained Duffy's demurrer to the declaration and dismissed the bill, on the ground that the new law made void her right of action.

The answer and disclaimer of Beeson H. Brown were filed in the case of Otto D. Goodwin against Elmer F. Goodwin et al.

Demurrers were filed in the suits of Andrew J. Watson against Mary A. Young and the National Coal Company against Jacob W. Overholt et al.

Estella Dolan, guardian, was authorized to sell the interest of her children in a lot at Wolf Summit.

NEGROES CAUGHT

In Raid Made by City Police-men Will Be Given a Trial in Mayor's Court.

At 7:30 o'clock Thursday evening Sim Hedge, Ada Brown, Rosa Hedge, Morris Hampton, Eva Yauncy and Douglas Howard, negroes, were caught by police officers in a raid made on an alleged house of bad repute in Glen Elk at 11:30 o'clock Wednesday evening will be arraigned before Mayor G. H. Gordon, on a charge of assembling for immoral purposes.

The police department had been working on the case for several days but it was not until last night that they located the place. Nicholas M. Whyte, lieutenant of police, secured a warrant and assisted by the night police force went to the house in Glen Elk and surprised the bunch capturing all of them.

None of the persons arrested were able to furnish bond so they were all sent to jail to await trial this evening.

GERMANS ADD THREE MORE SHIPS TO THEIR LIST, AS SENT TO BOTTOM.

LONDON, May 6.—The schooner, Earl of Latham, was sunk by a German submarine off Kinsale, on the Irish coast. The crew was permitted to take the small boats and was rescued by a trawler. The submarine fired nine shells at the schooner before it sank.

The trawler, Straton, of Grimsby, was sunk in the North sea yesterday by the gunfire of a German submarine. The crew was taken on board the submarine.

The Danish steamer, Cathay, from Copenhagen for Chinese ports, was either mined or torpedoed late last night in the North sea. It went down in twenty minutes. The passengers and crew, totalling 43 persons, took to the small boats and all were landed safely at Ramsgate today.

CITY EMPLOYEES

Must Refrain from Drinking Intoxicants, or They Will Lose Their Positions.

G. S. Martin and Harry Armstrong were the only prisoners to face Mayor G. H. Gordon at the session of police court Thursday morning. Both men were arrested in the streets for being drunk and were given the usual fine of \$5.00 which they paid and were released.

Martin has been in the employ of the city working at the city crematory but Mayor Gordon dismissed him at the conclusion of the trial Thursday morning. Mayor Gordon announced that any one in the employ of the city who was caught intoxicated would be dismissed immediately. He says that this holds good in all departments.

ITALY BUSY

As Ever with Preparations for War, Although Still Negotiating with Austrians.

ON THE ITALIAN FRONTIER, May 5, by way of Paris, May 6.—At the same time that the negotiations between Italy and Austria are being continued, Italy's military preparations are being completed with as much energy as though the country expected to participate in the war tomorrow. All the carabinieri and the customs guards who in Italy are attached to the army have been called for the protection of the soldiers.

Special measures have been adopted for the defense of Venice and the art treasures in this city. The naval authorities are of the opinion that long range guns are sufficient to prevent any hostile fleet from bombarding the city but attack from aeroplanes is feared. Anti-airship guns have been set up at several points around the city and it is believed they will afford protection for Venice from assaults from the air. In addition to the troops concentrated on the Austrian frontier another Italian army has been brought together in the vicinity of Virindisi on the Adriatic. This concentration is interpreted as a sign that Italy foresees the possibility of action in the near East.

M'CARTNEY FUNERAL

Services Will Be Held in Bailey Church at Rosemont Friday.

Matthew Webb McCartney, aged 58 years, died at 10 o'clock Wednesday night in his home, 523 E. Clarksburg, after an illness of several years.

The deceased man is survived by his widow, a son, a daughter and two brothers. The son is H. F. McCartney. The daughter is Mrs. C. Duckworth. The brothers are John W. McCartney, of Wilsonburg, and Arthur W. McCartney, of Bridgeport.

Mr. McCartney was born August 20, 1856, in Harrison county, and has been a lifelong resident of the county. He was a member of the Flemington Baptist church and the America Lodge, No. 76, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Rosemont.

The funeral party will go to Rosemont on the accommodation at 10:35 o'clock Friday morning and the funeral services will be held at the Bailey church there upon the arrival of the train. The Revs. P. H. Murray and W. M. Davis will have charge of the services and the burial will be in the Bailey cemetery.

PYTHIANS URGED

To Take Part in Hamilton Tabernacle Parade Friday Evening.

Officers of Clarksburg lodge No. 33 of the Knights of Pythias particularly desire all members to assemble at 7 o'clock sharp Friday evening at the hall on South Third street for the purpose of taking part in the Hamilton tabernacle parade to be held that evening. The lodge wants to make a good showing. All knights in the county and visiting knights are urged to take part.

A class of candidates will be initiated into the esquire rank Thursday night.

CITY BUSINESS IS BETTER.

The city has been quite prosperous under the new administration as is shown by the records for the first ten days of the administration. The record from April 20 to April 30 shows that the city police department made thirty arrests or an average of three arrests to a day and in that time fines aggregating \$157.60 were collected by Mayor Gordon.

WILL BE GIVEN HEARING.

Elmer Gossage, who was arrested in the city streets Wednesday evening for being drunk, when searched at the police station had a bottle of whiskey on his person and a warrant was sworn out for him in Justice R. E. Kidd's court charging him with violating the amendment to the Yost prohibition law. He will be arraigned for a hearing at 7:30 o'clock Thursday evening.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Marriage licenses have been issued to Ezra Lawrence Matheny and Jane Wolfe, Luigi Brignone and Caterina Zodda and John Postik and Annes Kopecka.

HUBBARD'S CASE IS THROWN OUT

An Interesting Osculatory Question Still Left Open for Court's Decision.

WHEELING, May 6.—The Wheeling News says: In the suit of W. P. Hubbard against the Peterson Electric Company, Mrs. Lucia Wray and others, Special Judge J. W. Ewing, Monday entered an order dismissing Mr. Hubbard's complaint. The plaintiff alleged that a certain \$500 loaned by him to nearly two years ago to Miss Wray and through her to the company, had been secured through fraud.

The plaintiff asserted that out of the kindness of his heart he had loaned Miss Wray the \$500, to be taken out immediately in stock of the corporation which was then forming; that instead the money was loaned to the Peterson brothers, then a partnership; that virtually the money had been secured through false pretense for the private ends of the partnership.

Miss Wray and the Peterson company denied entirely Mr. Hubbard's allegations. They asserted that the money was offered unsolicited to Miss Wray by Mr. Hubbard because of his extraordinary interest in her. An interest which it was alleged he took no pains to conceal and which at times according to Miss Wray's testimony, bordered, uncomfortably for her, near the far limit of the proprieties. A large mass of such testimony, creating a small sensation beyond even the legal circles in which the character of the case was best known, was presented to the court by the defense. Judge Ewing refused to sustain the contention of the Mr. Hubbard as to the fraud alleged and dismissed the suit.

An especially interesting portion of the testimony had to do with a kissing episode alleged to have occurred in the plaintiff's office. According to the evidence of the plaintiff, after he had handed Miss Wray the \$500 he lent her, the precaution in bills and not in check form, Miss Wray was so overcome with gratitude that she threw her arms vigorously about Mr. Hubbard's neck, much to his surprise. According to Miss Wray's testimony, at the time about the time the plaintiff handed her the \$500, he seized her in his arms and forced an amorous osculation upon her, using many endearing phrases.

It does not appear in the court's opinion exactly who kissed whom. The momentous question is yet to be settled.

KINTZER TO ATTEND COMMITTEE MEETING

In Chicago, Where He Hopes to Get Action on the State's Primary Election Law.

Edward H. Kintzer, until April 30 state secretary of the Socialist party of West Virginia, and now national committeeman, will leave here tonight on No. 1 for Chicago, to attend a meeting of the national committee, which will be in session about one week. One of the important issues that he intends to bring before the committee is the primary election law of West Virginia, which practically disqualifies the Socialist party from a position on the general election ballot in 1918.

Mr. Kintzer has addressed a letter to each of the committeemen and sent each advance copies of the act, so they may have information before hand. The letter reads as follows:

"If the primary election law recently enacted in West Virginia will stand a constitutional test and our attempt to have it amended, then our political activity will have suffered its death blow.

"The law provides that aspirants for public office, from United States senator to municipal officers, must pay from \$500 to \$100 to have their names listed on the primary ballot.

"The exceptions to the above are given in section 1, page 1.—(Judges, for instance, who may still be elected by the plutocratic interests by the old 'hand-picked' methods—conventions.)

"To file a complete ticket in each county of this state it would cost at least \$25,000.

"Besides paying, the party would need to cast in the primary election at least five per cent of the entire vote cast in the several political subdivisions at the preceding election, or about 12,000.

"We had just that many votes in the last general election.

TURKS DENY

That the Allies Have Occupied Gallipoli and Nagara by Landing Forces.

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 5.—by wireless to Berlin and London, May 6.—The following official statement regarding operations in the Dardanelles was issued this afternoon by the Turkish war office:

"The unfavorable situation of the enemy in the Dardanelles remains unchanged. Reports from Athens regarding the occupation of Gallipoli and Nagara by landing forces are untrue. The Gallipoli peninsula is entirely at our disposal for military movements. The enemy holds only two points on the coast, Seddi Bahr and Aricurah, thanks to the constant firing of his ships. The enemy is unable to make any move against the Turkish encircling forces. The Asiatic coast has been freed of our enemies."

YOUNG ARRESTED

Along with Former American Deputy Consul of Berne, in an Austrian Town.

VIENNA, by way of London, May 6.—Former United States Senator Lafayette Young, of Des Moines, accompanied by a former American deputy consul of Berne, Switzerland, was arrested at Innsbruck, Austria, yesterday on a suspicion of espionage directed against Mr. Young's companion. Mr. Young was promptly released with apologies after a few hours' detention in his hotel, but his companion was held in custody in the hotel until today before he was able to satisfy the suspicion of the authorities, who, apparently, had been warned to look for a man of the same name. Mr. Young arrived in Vienna this morning. Speaking of the incident he said he saw no reason for complaint. He left later in the day for Berlin.

ULTIMATUM ARRIVES.

PEKING, China, May 6.—The ultimatum of Japan to China regarding Japanese legation today. It probably was presented to the Chinese government this afternoon.

RECOVERS FROM OPERATION.

Harold Graham, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Graham, of 456 Lee street, who recently underwent an operation in St. Mary's hospital, is recovering nicely and his many friends hope he will be able to be taken to his home in a few days.

WILL REHEARSE.

The Booster chorus and all members of the Loyal Temperance Union are requested to meet at 4 o'clock Friday afternoon at the tabernacle to rehearse for national prohibition day at the tabernacle.

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And Rebekahs from All Over This Section of the State Are in Attendance.

ANOTHER GREAT NIGHT

Will Tonight Be When Dr. Hamilton Delivers Amusement Sermon.

DECISIONS.

Wednesday night	10
Previously reported	869
Total	879

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

- Thursday.
 - 7:30, Grafton night, sermon subject: "Cards, Dances and Theaters;" a fearless discussion of the amusement question.
 - 9:30, store meeting at Broad Oaks.
 - Noon, luncheon for men at the First Methodist Episcopal church.
 - Noon, luncheon for business women at First Presbyterian church.
 - 4:00, Young People's meeting at Broad Oaks Methodist Episcopal church.
 - 7:30, Pythian night, Knights of Pythias and Pythian Sisters will attend in a body. Sermon subject: "Prisoners Set Free."
 - Saturday.
 - 7:30, sermon subject: "What Is Your Answer?"
 - Sunday.
 - 11:00, sermon subject: "An Old Man's Advice." This is Sunday school day. Sunday schools will attend in a body.
 - 2:30, meeting for men only, subject: "A Losing Game."
 - Meetings for women will be announced later.
 - 7:30, United Commercial Travelers' night, subject: "The Unpardonable Sin."
 - Monday.
 - Rest day.
 - 7:30, special meeting for the colored people. The Rev. Dr. Hoope, of Washington, Pa., will speak.
 - Tuesday.
 - National prohibition night. All in favor of nation-wide prohibition will march to the tabernacle in a body.

Wednesday night saw the greatest lodge demonstration that has yet taken place at the tabernacle. More than 600 Odd Fellows and Rebekahs marched from their hall on Main street and occupied reserved seats last night in the hemlock temple. They made an imposing spectacle as they marched in line to the building. Not in many days has there turned out so many lodgemen for any event as at the demonstration last night. It was a credit to the lodge and an honor to the tabernacle campaign. They were a fine looking bunch of folks too. They were not all from Clarksburg either. Lodges from all over the state were represented. Shinnston, West Milford, Bridgeport, Adamston, Wolf Summit, Lost Creek and Wilsonburg sent delegations with one or more representatives from a dozen or more lodges.

An Odd Fellows quartet composed of the Rev. W. M. Long, J. Ransel Romaine, Howard Cunningham and Wayne Robinson delightfully sang "The Church in the Valley by the Wildwood." Dr. Hamilton gave them a most hearty welcome and commended both orders for the principles for which they stood and on which the organizations were founded.

Another Big Night.

Tonight will be another big night. It is the night when Evangelist Hamilton will give his celebrated address on the amusement question. There is no doubt but that the question will be handled barehanded and the facts of the question as it concerns the church will be fearlessly given. It is not likely that all will agree with the gifted preacher in what he will say or the stand he will take, but no one will doubt his sincerity. It is a question that is concerning the Christian churches and the extremes in the matter have been the subject of public discussion and press controversy. Dr. Hamilton will treat the matter from the standpoint of influence and moral standard.

There will be a large delegation present tonight from Grafton and it will add interest to the meeting. It had not been thought best to make any reservations on this occasion but the Grafton folk wrote that they had made all arrangements to come so they have been favored in this way. It is probable that a record week night audience will be present and that good seats will be at a premium. The sermon last night was one of the evangelist's best. "If Any Man" (Continued on Page Two.)